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ORDINATIONS

The third year men will be ordained to the priesthood at Santa Clara on June 21. The two other Major Orders will be conferred on the Ember Days in the week of June 5.

Summer Dates

U. S. F. Summer School, June 27-August 5.

Juniors' Retreat, July 6p-15a.

Theologians Retreat, July 22p-31a.

Teachers' Retreat, August 6p-15a.

Golden Jubilees

Father James Malone, July 31, 1938.

Father O. Villa, October 8, 1938.

ALMA

On February 4, His Excellency Bishop YuPin, Vicar Apostolic of Nanking, was brought to Alma by Archbishop Mitty. Bishop McGovern of Cheyenne, Wyoming, and Fr. Sweeney, diocesan director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, accompanied them.

On Wednesday, February 23, the boys of Bellarmine College Preparatory under the director of Fr. Fox staged their Spring production, "First Night," for the Theologians at Alma.

The rain poured down a record-breaking total of over 50 inches.

Mr. Robert McMahon has succeeded Father Walter Kropp as Director of the Choir.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

At the dedication of St. Paul's Church Father Rector was Assistant Priest to Archbishop Cantwell; Father Joseph Donovan, Deacon of the Mass; Father Lorenzo Malone, Assistant Priest to Bishop Gorman of Reno, Nevada.

Father Spearman was among the judges of an Essay Contest sponsored by the Opera and Fine Arts Club of Los Angeles to stimulate interest in the construction of a Fine Arts Gallery and Opera House.

In the drive for the Major Seminary in Los Angeles the "Loyola Alumnus" and the "Loyolan" devoted their issues to the campaign, and for two weeks the professors of English and Religion explained ideas pertaining to the priesthood.

Over KHJ on the Campus Hour, Mr. Kilp broadcasted on "Louis Pasteur" and Mr. Wilson on "Tolrance and Liberty."

Rev. James E. Dolan, alumnus of Loyola, presented the library with many bound volumes of Scribner's, Harper's, and Century magazines dating from 1870.

Mrs. Fontham gave the University many volumes, among which was the scholarly 11th edition of the Encyclopedia Britannica.

Father L. Malone gave the Student Retreat at Immaculate Heart College, February 23-25.

Father Madigan has been directing a very successful Spanish Debate Club. It has been received enthusiastically by Spanish audiences in Azusa, Santa Monica, Santa Barbara and at the Plaza. One of the student debaters, Don Jose Manuel Jijon-Caamana, is a distant relative of St. Ignatius.

Loyola University mourned a benefactor in the death of Mr. Michael F. O'Dea, who in 1928 gave Father Joseph Sullivan \$100,000 for buildings at Loyola.

For the second semester the registration for the Arts and Science students totaled 450.

Another successful Classical Symposium was held on Loyola Campus, at which Father James Malone presided. Dr. Arthur McKinley, head of the Latin Department at U. C. L. A., spoke on "The Modernity of the Ancients." One of the students, George Minimiki, a Japanese, gave a speech in Greek. St. Paul's Sermon to the Athenians. A Latin Comedy, "Odiolaria," was pre-

sented by students from Mt. St. Mary's College.

The Spiritual Father has converted 3 students to the Faith, 5 are preparing for their First Communion, and several others are under instruction.

LOYOLA HIGH

The "Loyalist," under the direction of Mr. Darrow, published a special edition for the Seminary Drive.

Father C. Leahy has been appointed the American Agent for the Vatican Magazine against Atheism, "The World Problem."

Father Healy and Brother Danahy are in the hospital.

Fathers Falvey and Flynn delivered lectures no "Interracial Justice" at the Thomas More Library.

The semi-finals for the sixth annual Apologetic Oratorical Contest, sponsored by Loyola's Sodality, will be held at Loyola on March 27th. There are 20 Catholic High Schools in the contest.

The Sodality has initiated an intensive drive against anti-Catholic and immoral magazines. Special attention is directed to "Time," which is clever in its anti-religious and immoral propaganda. A drive is on against indecent advertisements in daily papers.

A Lenten collection for the spread of the Missions and of Catholic Literature is being prepared by the Sodalists. The mite box goes around at the beginning of the morning class.

The third annual questionnaire regarding the students' attitude towards religion and morals and towards the support of his own parish, will be issued by the chaplain in the beginning of Lent.

The lightweight basketball teams, coached by Messrs. Finigan and Parrish, have defeated the public and private schools in Southern California.

Father James Malone is spending several weeks inspecting the school and attending classes.

Messrs. Carroll, Breen, Leonard, Finigan, Daze, Spearman, etc., Brothers in the Society, are among the leaders in the Seminary Drive.

The Loyola Guild gave a party and a purse in honor of Father Whelan's trip to Rome.

At the annual birthday party of the Loyola Guild, over 200 were addressed by Fathers Madden and Coffey. The theme of the table decorations was the twelve months of the year in special colors, ranging from green for March to red for Fourth of July.

Mr. O'Rourke and his Poster Club

decorate the bulletin boards with tasty displays of spiritual books and devotions.

A Camera Club of 50 members is active under the direction of Mr. Colosino. Pictures for the annual is part of the objective.

Mr. Crews is teaching history under the direction of Father Fennell.

Father Butler addressed all the classes for a half hour over the public address system. His subject was the Apostleship of Prayer.

To direct the minds of the Seniors to Loyola University, Father Hanlon has arranged a day for sightseeing and attending classes at Del Rey.

Mr. Bourret has pictures and appeals in the corridors for our China Mission. His Stamp Committee is receiving some rare stamps.

LOS GATOS

In January, Father Gleeson spent a day at Los Gatos for the celebration of his Diamond Jubilee. He gave an inspiring general recreation with reminiscences of the virtues and achievements of the early Fathers in California.

On February 6, the Novices and Juniors presented Father Rector with a "Bon Voyage" entertainment on the eve of his departure for Rome.

On January 25, Brother Paul Hackett came from Burlingame to begin his novitiate as a Scholastic Novice. In February, Brother John Mosely came from Los Angeles to be a Coadjutor Postulant.

On February 18, Father Joseph McElmeel, Superior of the Alaska Mission, addressed the Novices and Juniors on the work of Ours in the Far North.

As a result of the fire in the sanctuary during the Christmas holidays, the entire sanctuary and the two side altars have been recalculated. The woodwork has been restained, the main altar has been given a darker oak color. The insurance company in repairing the restricted damage, found it best to renovate the whole area. The Sacred Heart painting above the altar still shows slight acid spots from the fire extinguisher.

SAN FRANCISCO

The Law School has been admitted to the Association of American Law Schools.

Father Connolly, Dean of Loyola University, gave the annual retreat to the students of the college departments.

The high school contributed a substan-

tial sum to the Community Chest by turning over the receipts of its Dramatic Art Contest.

Mr. McGloin has published another article in the "Historical Bulletin."

Father Peter Dunne has a second manuscript prepared on the history of Jesuit Missions in North Central Mexico, which together with the manuscript on the West Coast Missions, he hopes to have published for the Centenary celebration of 1940.

A spent bullet came through a window in the recreation room of the Scholastics on New Year's Eve. It crashed the glass. Fortunately no one was in the room at the time.

BELLARMINE PREP

As the auditorium is to be torn down, with work starting at the close of February, the boys' library has been stored away until its new location is vacated. Reference books and books for class assignments are available through the librarian.

February 2, 10 members were received into the Sodality.

The Literature Committee of the Sodality has secured several subscriptions to Catholic magazines for the San Jose Public Library.

Father White is giving a course in sacred oratory at Alma.

February 2, Father Allie. M.M., talked to each division of the boys about vocation, and especially about vocation to China.

On February 23-24, the play was given in the Montgomery Theatre, San Jose.

Bob McGuire, Santa Clara graduate, has been signed up as baseball coach for the coming season.

During February Father James Kelly held a class in Catechism for converts.

The apologetic contest is a current interest. The finals will be held in the near future.

The subject for the Senior essay is Education as outlined in Holy Father's latest encyclical on this subject.

SANTA CLARA

A novena of Masses and Holy Communions began on February 15, at the request of the students, to secure manifestation by miracles of Father Catala's sanctity that he may be proclaimed a Blessed and a Saint of the Church. The students are making a drive to distribute the leaflet about the Holy Man of Santa Clara.

Three new professors were engaged for the second semester. Dean Kelly is replaced by Mr. McFartland who is on leave of absence from the University of New Mexico. He gives a course in statistics. Mr. Dill, who resigned to take a post in the California Department of Fisheries, was replaced by Mr. Wm. Ingram. Mr. George Stepovich is to give a course in taxation law.

A Liberty airplane motor, a gift from Mare Island Navy Yard, has been installed in the Montgomery Laboratories.

Registration for the second semester is higher than in any previous year. Applications for the fall term are so promising that the top floor of Nobile Hall is being made ready in expectation of a record number of boarders.

Charles D. South, alumnus of '78, former professor of journalism and librarian at Santa Clara for several years, died at his home in Santa Clara, at the age of 73, after a short illness. He was the author of several plays produced at Santa Clara, one of which, "Constantine," had a season on the coast in 1909.

Since the return of the students for the second semester, 3000 Holy Communions have been distributed to them. This makes a grand total of 11,080 since the opening of the school year.

VARIA

Father Provincial left San Jose on his way to Rome on February 8; Father Dunne on February 7; Father Whelan left Los Angeles on February 8. They left New York on the Vulcania on February 18, and received belated mail at Boston on February 19.

Fathers Walter Fitzgerald, Dillon and Thomas Martin sailed from New York on the Rex on February 26. Fathers Piet and John McHugh are Province Consultors in Oregon, and Father Daugherty is Vice Provincial.

During the closing retreat at El Retiro in January, 11 of the 28 on retreat were from St. Mary's College. During the wild storm which deluged Santa Clara Valley and environs, there were 18 making their retreat at El Retiro. Unless the flooding of Watsonville prevented their coming, some 32 were due from there for the last week in February.

Father Crowley gave the 8-day retreat for the Novices at Immaculate Heart, Hollywood.

Brother Tom O'Brien has not been so well at Santa Barbara. He is doing better again. Father Acquistapace was

able to visit his mother in Santa Clara. She is 82 years old and has been ailing.

The Christian Science Church opposite the school in Santa Barbara was leased out to the State Relief for three years. The move was discovered just at the last moment. It was felt that it would not do to have a certain type of unemployed men hanging about all day so near the children of the school. The P. T. A. were called on, and then all Santa Barbara came to the rescue. Our Fathers had to do nothing but let the movement take care of itself. Letters and telegrams were sent to the Governor and others. The whole idea was dropped. The enthusiasm was not all due to anxiety for the school. It was also due to the possible spoiling of the exclusiveness of the park and the neighborhood.

Our Santa Barbara parish is taxed \$18,000 for the new Seminary.

Blessed Sacrament Parish has been assessed \$42,000 for the new Seminary. Report says that the people are responding very well in Hollywood.

Father Culligan reports a donation of \$15,000 to the cemetery, and \$5,000 toward the church debt at St. Clare's. This last was given in memory of J. B. O'Brien.

Father Moore gives the English Mission at St. Clare's in the beginning of Lent.

A set of Father Grisez's catechisms have been sent for the exhibit of Missionary Catechetical materials to be shown in the Catechetical Museum in Vienna, planned by Cardinal Innitzer. A set was also sent for display in the exhibit planned for our own country. The books were written for the Holy Family Sisters whose work among children in California is along missionary lines.

An amateur in San Jose brought in a message for Father Provincial from Father Hubbard, which he sent from King Island on January 30. He said: "King Island is cut off from civilization by broken ice and open water. Our radio lacked power to directly contact the United States. We have been fortunate in contacting some Alaskan amateurs who can relay our messages to their destinations. Everything is going along nicely. Father Lafortune's presence is a great help and inspiration. I am getting a wonderful pictorial record of this unique Mission. We were wondering how conditions are in regard to China and the Nanking Institute, and hope the work of our Fathers has

not been destroyed by the present calamity. Wishing you and the Province every blessing for the New Year. Regards to all from the Island of Christ the King." News of Ours in China was radioed back by the amateur of San Jose.

CHINA

Bishop Yu Pin while at Alma appointed Father Kearney either Vicar General or Administrator of the Nanking diocese. Word was sent across by the Alma Transpacific Radio. In return Shanghai acknowledged the message and replied that Father Kearney had gone to Nanking to look into matters for the Bishop.

Such prosy requests as the wish for a Santa Clara catalogue and the value of first-flight stamps came over the ocean.

All the tertians were back on January 1 at Wuhu which they had to leave because it was bombed for three days and burned for over a week after the bombardment. One-third of the town is bombed.

Bishop Yu Pin's episcopal belongings were looted in Nanking and scattered. Our central house in Nanking was not badly looted. Special notices were posted upon all foreign houses demanding that they be respected.

The Province News has been sent regularly to our Scholastics in Peking, but it does not seem to get through the lines.

Father Lennon writes that he is back at his parish in Hongkew. Father Farmer is with him. Many houses in the section had been looted, but Ours found everything as they had left it. Bursting shrapnel had broken a number of windows in the house and sacristy and church, but had done no harm to any of the beautiful stained glass windows. There was a hole two feet square in the roof. Few foreigners have returned to Hongkew and hardly any Chinese as they can with difficulty secure permissions. As a result the total congregation at Sunday Mass was 50 at the beginning of January.

DEATHS IN THE ASSISTANCY

Jan. 29, Bro. John Hansen, Nome.

Feb. 4, Fr. Jas. Daly, Jiminez, P. I.

DEATHS OF RELATIVES

Brother of Brother Richard.